



# GLOBAL PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE

April 12-13, 2015 - Washington D.C.



The Global Conference is the [Parliamentary Network](#)'s flagship event, bringing together between some 150 Network parliamentarians from over 100 countries, leaders from civil society and partner organizations, and top officials from a number of International Financial Institutions including the World Bank, IMF and regional development banks.

This year's confirmed keynote speakers include both IMF Managing Director **Ms. Christine Lagarde** and World Bank President **Jim Yong Kim**.

Past Keynote speakers include the Presidents of Brazil, Indonesia and Senegal but also Nobel Economics Laureates, high-level national officials, CSOs, academia, and private sector representatives. **This edition of the Global Conference will be hosted by the World Bank Group and IMF in Washington DC.**

The [post-2015 framework](#) presents a unique opportunity to build on the achievements of the [Millennium Development Goals](#) (MDGs), while also addressing the dimensions that lag behind. Parliamentarians must focus on the remaining tasks and future challenges facing international development.

Parliamentarians have a particular role in shaping new frameworks for development. They are both the instigators of the legislation leading to better development results, as well as the scrutinizer of the national policies and budgets affecting development outcomes.

Therefore, it is vital that Parliamentarians lead a well-informed and knowledge-based development process.

This year's Conference agenda focuses on: (i) the twin goals of boosting shared prosperity and eradicating poverty, and macroeconomic stability; (ii) Transparency and governance and (iii) gender equity. By focusing on these three areas, the Network aims to: (i) increase Parliamentarians' knowledge of these individual subject matters, push for legislations and reforms in key areas; (ii) underline Parliamentarians' roles in improving these areas in their respective countries; and (iii) look at how international development partners such as the World Bank and IMF can support them in this task.

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We look forward to welcoming you in Washington DC on April 12-13 and to fruitful discussions together.

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